

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463.

July 31, 1997

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RE: MUR 4646

Amy Habie and Wallace Walker

Dear Mr. Wasserman:

Thank you for you letter dated July 24, 1997, which request additional information regarding the conciliation process. In response to your request, I have enclosed the "Filing a Complaint" brochure which describes how complaints are processed and the "Description of Preliminary Procedures for Processing Complaints Filed with the Federal Election Commission."

Please note that conciliation does not commence until the Matter Under Review ("MUR") has been assigned to a staff member, the Commission has found "reason to believe" and the investigation is completed. Only cases warranting the use of Commission resources are assigned and investigated. Cases not warranting the use of Commission resources can be dismissed before being assigned and investigated.

MUR 4646 has not yet been assigned. The investigative stage has not yet commenced. This matter is still in its preliminary stage. At this stage, your clients have an opportunity to respond to the complaint to demonstrate in writing why no action should be taken against them. Responding to the complaint is not mandatory, but it does assist us in determining the appropriate disposition.

Should you have additional questions, please contact me on our toll-free telephone number, (800) 424-9530. The local telephone number is (202) 219-3400.

Sincerely,

Alva E. Smith

Paralegal Specialist

Enclosures

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